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| The MAILING DATE of this communication appe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | ears on the cover sheet with the                                                                                  | correspondence add                               | ress                         |  |  |  |
| HE REPLY FILED 15 March 2006 FAILS TO PLACE THIS A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | PPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR                                                                                       | ALLOWANCE.                                       |                              |  |  |  |
| . Me reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Nequest for Continued Examination (RCE) in complete following time periods:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | owing replies: (1) an amendment, a<br>lotice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in<br>oliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The rep | affidavit, or other evid<br>compliance with 37 ( | ence, which<br>CFR 41.31; or |  |  |  |
| The period for reply expires <u>3</u> months from the mailing date of the final rejection.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have even filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 FR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) bove, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any arread patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| NOTICE OF APPEAL<br>2.  The Notice of Appeal was filed on A brief in con                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | onliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must b                                                                                 | e filed within two mor                           | nths of the date             |  |  |  |
| of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must AMENDMENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)                                                                                | )), to avoid dismissal                           | of the appeal.               |  |  |  |
| 3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | but prior to the date of filing a brid                                                                            | ef, will <u>not</u> be entered                   | because                      |  |  |  |
| (a) They raise new issues that would require further c                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | onsideration and/or search (see NC                                                                                | OTE below);                                      |                              |  |  |  |
| (b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE bel                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | low);                                                                                                             |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| (c) They are not deemed to place the application in be appeal; and/or                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                   |                                                  | g the issues for             |  |  |  |
| (d) They present additional claims without canceling a NOTE: (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                   | ejected claims.                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| 4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | ,.<br>.121. See attached Notice of Non-C                                                                          | Compliant Amendmer                               | nt (PTOL-324).               |  |  |  |
| 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                   | •                                                |                              |  |  |  |
| Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | allowable if submitted in a separate                                                                              | e, timely filed amendr                           | ment canceling               |  |  |  |
| the non-allowable claim(s).  7. Tor purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | N                                                                                                                 | will be entered and ar                           | explanation of               |  |  |  |
| how the new or amended claims would be rejected is pr                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | rovided below or appended.                                                                                        | Mill be circled and a                            | , onprement                  |  |  |  |
| The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed: None.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| Claim(s) objected to: <i>None</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| Claim(s) rejected: <u>1-25</u> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: None.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                   | A                                                |                              |  |  |  |
| 8. The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, because applicant failed to provide a showing of good a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | but before or on the date of filing a<br>and sufficient reasons why the affid                                     | avit or other evidence                           | is necessary                 |  |  |  |
| and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).  9. The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | ng a Notice of Anneal, but prior to t                                                                             | he date of filing a brie                         | ef. will not be              |  |  |  |
| entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necess                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | overcome all rejections under app                                                                                 | eal and/or appellant 1                           | alls to provide a            |  |  |  |
| 10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanat REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | ion of the status of the claims after                                                                             | entry is below or atta                           | ached.                       |  |  |  |
| 11. The request for reconsideration has been considered                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | but does NOT place the application                                                                                | in condition for allow                           | vance because:               |  |  |  |
| 12. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
| 13. Other:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                   |                                                  |                              |  |  |  |
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